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- 1. DURING CONVERSATION CITED REFTEL, MINISTER GARDINI SAID MFA UNDERSECRETARY OF STATE BATTAGLIA IS SCHEDULED TO GO TO MOSCOW FOR ROUTINE POLITICAL CONSULTATIONS AUGUST 14 AND 15. UN AND ISRAEL/UN ISSUES WILL BE AMONG MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION.
- 2. FOLLOWING BATTAGLIA'S RETURN, GOI WOULD HOPE FOR BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS WITH USG (GARDINI MENTIONED DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY BLAKE) TO COVER RANGE OF UN PROBLEMS IN LATTER PART OF AUGUST BUT PRIOR TO LIMA MEETING. LOCUS COULD BE ROME, WASHINGTON, OR NEW YORK, AS DESIRED.
- 3. COMMENT: GARDINI IS OBVIOUSLY SENSITIVE TO NEED TO LINE UP ALL POSSIBLE DUCKS AS FAR IN ADVANCE AS POSSIBLE PRIOR TO LIMA BUT CLEARLY PREFERS US/GOI BILATERALS AFTER MOSCOW SOUNDINGS.
- 4. DCM HAS APPOINTMENT AUGUST 4 WITH MFA POLITICAL DIRECTOR PLAJA. WOULD APPRECIATE BEING INFORMED BY THAT DATE WHETHER DEPARTMENT AGREES TO SUCH BILATERALS AND, IF SO, OF SUCH SPECIFICS AS WE COULD PASS TO PLAJA AT THAT TIME. VOLPE CONFIDENTIAL

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